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SUBJECT: TURKEY: RAISING ONGOING BAHAI PERSECUTION

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(C) On February 10 we delivered REFTEL points to MFA
Department Head for Human Rights Yonca Ozceri. Ozceri said
they have recently received leaders of the Turkish Baha'i
community who had expressed these same concerns. Ozceri said
she is following the cases and will pass our points to higher
levels within the MFA as well as other relevant departments
for consideration.
Jeffrey

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